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VICTORIA THEATRE.

A great treat is in store for the numerous patrons of the Victoria Theatre, commencing from to-night, for Messrs. Ramon and Ba. on the proprietors have just concluded arrangements for the exhibition of the animated picture *Gazette* of Pathé Freres which will be quite a new thing in Hong Kong. *Pathé Freres' Gazette* is an ordinary film showing the latest happenings from all parts of the world so that patrons of the Victoria will, in future, have the pleasure of seeing the latest pictures of all great and stirring events within three weeks of their actual happenings. A monster programme of new pictures has been arranged for to-night, among the pictures to be shown on the screen being the unveiling of the Queen Victoria Memorial, by King George in the presence of the German Emperor and Empress; the investiture of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales in Carnarvon Castle; the coronation review of the British fleet off Spithead; and the great Italian Hydroplane showing the inventor and his friend, the start, movement of the screws; rising from the water at certain speeds; in full speed and gliding on planes at 70 miles an hour. Amongst other pictures to be shown in the course of the next few days are "A day at the Crystal Palace"; "Roland the Grenadier"; "The Grand Air"; "Locusts"; "Love and Money"; "The Fall of Troy"; and the "Cardiff dock strike."

"These pictures are all really magnificent and are well worth a visit. The great acrobatic dancers Miss Ethel Preston and Ricardo are expected to arrive shortly."

THEFTS FROM THE STRANDED "EMPRESS."

According to the *Jiji* and other Tokyo papers, six members of the crew of the No. 2 *Taura-maru* of the Tokyo Bay Steamship Company, were on the night of the 10th August arrested in Tokyo on a charge of stealing four hundred bags of American flour, valued at ¥2,000, from the s.s. *Empress of China*, now lying on the Mera ledge, off Shikohama. The crew are now undergoing preliminary trial in the Tokyo District Court.

The Tokyo Bay Steamship Company were engaged to land a quantity of American flour from the *Empress of China*, and dispatched the No. 2 *Taura-maru* to undertake the work. While discharging the flour the six men contrived a plan to steal some, and concealed four hundred bags in the lower hold of the vessel. Upon the arrival of the flour at Yokohama, Kiyohashi, Tokyo, the second officer and Mr. Shigejuro Kuwana, dealer in cereals in Kiyohashi, and were held in negotiations with the dealer as to the disposal of the flour when they were arrested by the police.

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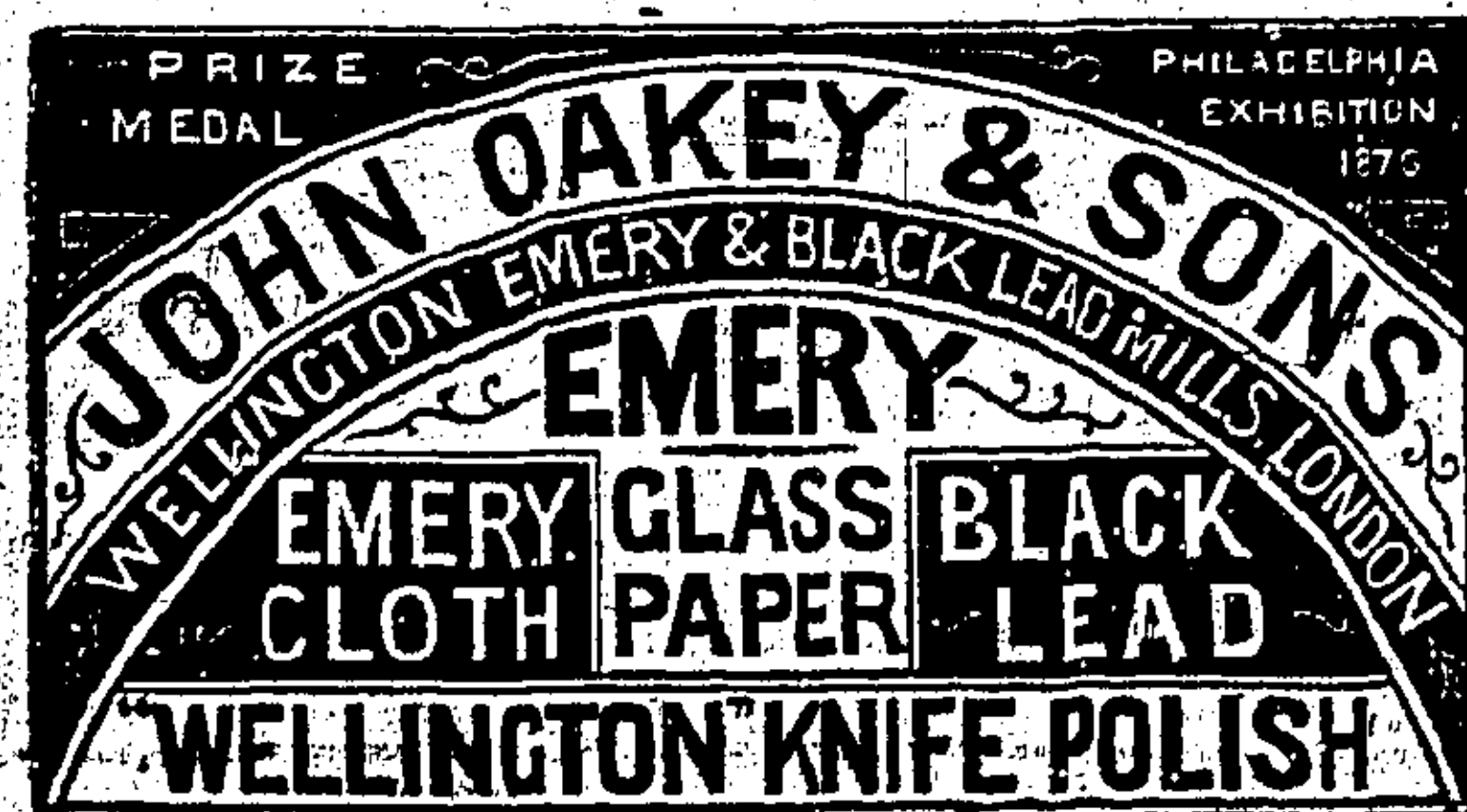
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the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Alexandra
Buildings, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, on
SATURDAY, September 2nd, 1911, at 12
O'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors and Statement
of Accounts to 30th June, 1911.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from August 28th
to September 2nd, both days inclusive.

By Order,
P. T. CHAPLIN,
Manager.

Hongkong, August 11, 1911.

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Leas & Manager: R. H. STEPHENSON.

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Remember, I remember
The farm where I was born
No other place I loved so
We never journeyed toward
And loved the summer heat
To see, like modern farmers,
An aviation meet.

Remember, I remember
The farmhouse old and gray
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Like most such things to-day
No architect had planned it
To cost a thousand score
And run the place as into
8 or seven thousand more.

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SOLE AGENTS

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Hongkong, December 17, 1910.

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GREAT TELEPHONE DEAL.

British Post Office to take over
18,000 Employees.

London, July 28.

Mr Herbert Samuel, the Postmaster
General, has issued a statement in regard
to the proposed telephone transaction on
record, by the terms of which the business
of the National Telephone Company is to
be transferred to the State from Dec. 31
next. The terms are these:

1. Plant, lands, and buildings to be
taken over without payment for good-will
or allowance for compulsory service.

All inventory is now proceeding, and the price
will be decided by the Railway and Canal
Commissioners.

2. When the telephone system is acquired
by the State a total sum of £8,000,000
over and above the purchase price is to be
raised for development purposes.

3. All the staff of the National Telephone
Company is to be taken over on generous
terms both as to pensions and allowances
for those not on a pensionable basis.

The National Telephone Company has a
registered capital of £16,000,000, 18,000
employees, men and women, and 500,000
instruments.

All the telephone company's staff is to
be taken over, without examination, medi-
cal or literary, the only exceptions being
persons who have applied recently for
excessive sick leave. The precise con-
ditions of transfer are to be embodied in a
memorandum.

The company's staff was divided into
persons pensionable and non-pensionable.
The pension fund is to be wound up, its
members joining the pensioned staff of the
Post Office.

As present there are 600,000 postal and
national telephone instruments in the
country. Ten years ago the number was
only 200,000 but Mr Samuel hopes that
the number of instruments will be
quadrupled in years to come. For this
purpose he is ready to raise fresh
capital, the present bill gives borrowing
powers to the extent of a further four
millions, this in addition to two millions,
at present unexpended.

A joint inventory is proceeding, but the
price offered by the Post Office for this
property differs so widely from the price
asked by the company that an appeal will
be made to the Railway and Canal Com-
missioners for arbitration.

Pending this appeal, the Postmaster
General cannot submit the question of
telephone charges, as has been suggested,
to a Select Committee, since the amount
to be paid to the company has a direct
bearing on the future cost of the service.

Revision of rates will, however, be
necessary, for the existing charges must be
made uniform. Mr Samuel gave the case
of a subscriber at Newcastle who paid £7
10s. a year for unlimited service and made
160 calls a day which works out at 90 calls
a penny. "Such a large user is subsidised
by a small user."

Future rates will be fixed on the principle
that the service must be speedy and ac-
curate, that it must pay its own way, that
it must provide interest and saving fund
on capital, but no profit for the holder of
general taxation. Any surplus should go
to reduction of rates or to improvement of
the service. If strongly pressed Mr Samuel
would be ready to seek assistance when the
time comes from a Committee of Inquiry
either in the House of Commons or repre-
sentation of outside interests.

Mr Samuel rejects the idea of a separate
telephone authority, which could arrange
for rates and a get of staff without the
inconvenience of Parliamentary pressure.
It would be impossible to deal separately
with telephones and telegraphs, and the
telephone authority would thus be saddled
with the loss on telegraphs. Moreover,
what might be saved by cutting wages
would be in part lost by the higher interest
on capital, which a separate authority
would have to arise without the help of
the Treasury.

THE OLD PLACE.

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Intimations.

THEATRE ROYAL.

FAREWELL VISIT OF THE

BANDMANN OPERA Co.

Last Night!

Last Night!

TO-NIGHT!

FRIDAY, September 1,

TO-NIGHT!

'The Merry Widow.'

PRICES AS USUAL

BOOKING AT MOUTRIE'S

CONCERT.

A GRAND FAREWELL CHARI-
TY CONCERT on behalf of the family
of the late Sir W. E. P. Taylor, Infantry
Commander, Hongkong Volunteer Corps,
will be held on the VOLUNTEER PAVILION
GROUNDS on SATURDAY, the 2nd Septem-
ber, 1911, at 8.15 P.M.

If wet the Concert will be held at the
Deli-Hall.

Tickets at 5s. can be obtained from
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh or from Volunteer
Headquarters.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel
L. A. H. Hamilton and Officers the Band
of the 1st B.O.Y.L.L. will attend.

Hongkong, August 15, 1911.

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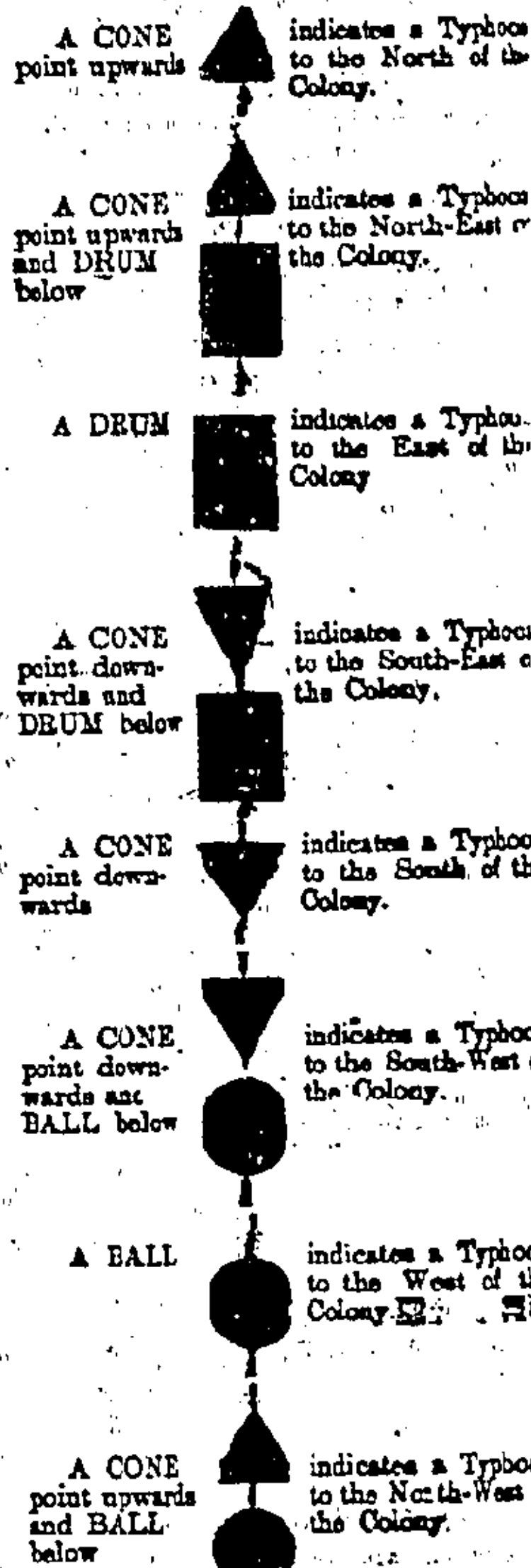
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TYPHOON SIGNALS.

STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

The following Typhoon signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station, Kowloon, the Harbour Office, the Kowloon Godown, H.M.S. Tamar, and Green Island signal mast.



Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.
Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.
The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

GREEN SIGNALS AT INTERVALS OF TEN MINUTES.
A Black Signal will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other signals.

The following Night Signals will be hoisted from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office, Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green, Green, Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green, Red, Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red, Green, Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bomb, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

The Night Signals will be substituted for the Day signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Cap Rock, Aberdeen, Wagon, Sai Kung, Stanley, Sai Kung, Cape Collinson, Sha Tau Kok, Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal, from the light house.

F. C. 1910, Director.

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ELECTRIC LIGHT AND FANS, Bath-room to each Room, Cold and Hot Water throughout.

PRIVATE AND PUBLIC BARS, BILLIARD ROOM, EXCELLENT CUISINE.

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UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT, Good Food, Clean Rooms, each with Separate Bathroom.

REASONABLE CHARGES, Two minutes walk from the principal landing place.

BAR, BILLIARDS AND BOWLING ALLEY, Chas. A. Mutton, Proprietor, Hongkong, January 3, 1911.

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Proprietress, Mrs. F. SACHSE, Hongkong, September 1, 1908.

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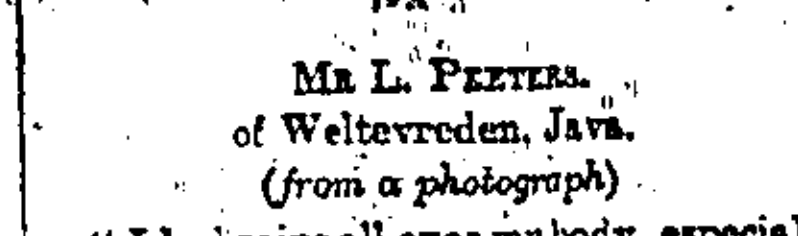
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EVERY YEAR IN THE HOT COUNTRIES OF THE EAST MORE PEOPLE DIE OF MALARIA THAN OF ANY OTHER DISEASE.

The Remedy is DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

As is proved by statistics, the mortality from Malaria in the countries of the tropical East is something appalling, the death rate from this form of blood poisoning alone far exceeding that of any other disease. The only permanent cure for Malaria is by the elimination of the poison from the system. How successfully Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People accomplish this has been demonstrated over and over again in cases similar to that of Mr. Louis Pictet, of Batavia, Java, the facts of whose case are as follows:

"Some time ago I contracted Malaria. It was a very severe form," said Mr. Pictet. "The attacks would come on in the evening, first ague as severe as the second, and then the hot for hours, and then fever of a very high temperature. I could get no proper rest at night, lost all desire for food, and felt so weak as to be fit for nothing. The Malaria got such a grip on me at last that I was compelled to go for a month's holiday to the higher land of Batavia, but as soon as I returned to Batavia it was a relapse, and the fever attacks came on again as bad as ever."



MR. L. PICTET, of Batavia, Java, (from a photograph).

"I had pains all over my body, especially about the spine; my face was pale and thin, and my eyeballs were sunken. My ankles swelled even after a little walk. I took various medicines but these did me no good, and it was not until I used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills that I began to feel better. After a few bottles of these pills the attacks of fever and ague diminished in frequency and violence and I gradually grew stronger. I continued with them until, in a short space of time, I was quite myself again. I am now in good health, thanks to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for the good they have done me."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People contain all the elements necessary to give new life to the blood. They strengthen and at the same time purify the blood, and then the Good, Strong, New Blood which they make builds up the whole system, restoring it to a healthy condition. It is for this reason that they cure, as has been proved in cases of thousands of people, Anemia, Nervousness, Early Decay, Back Pain, Eczema, and Skin Eruptions, Indigestion, Rheumatism, Neuritis, Paralysis, the after effects of Fevers, Dysentery, and Chills, and the ailments which only weak men know. Obtainable from medicine men everywhere, or from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 64, Southview Road, Shanghai, 1 bottle for \$1.50, 6 bottles for \$8.00 free.

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NOTICE.

MR. LI HON FAN, Chinese graduate, was in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years.

He has a good method of training European pupils in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first class certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write cards or letters to him or direct to 37, Hill Street, 1st floor.

Hongkong, December 24, 1910.

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Consultation Free.

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THE PLAGUE IN LEITH.

(From Our Scottish Correspondent.)

The recent outbreak of plague in the Far East will give your Scottish readers a special interest in the post which broke out in Scotland in 1910, whose local story is told in the "South Leith Records" just published by Mr. D. Robertson, S.S.C. So great were the ravages of this plague in the shipping port of Edinburgh, that the number who died exceeded those who survived—a rate of mortality quite inconceivable in these days. The population of the place was then under 4,000; the number who died was 2,734. The plague of 1910 was a disease due to dirt and poor living. It was brought into Scotland from Newcastle after the siege of that city by the Cossack Army under Lohse. There had been a dearth of grain in the previous year, and in these days of long and mournful feelings and prechings the gloomy life of the people and the lowered vitality gave the disease a fruitful soil on which to operate. When persons fell ill they were shut up in their houses, from which they were ordered to hang a white cloth to show that they were infected, and as soon as accommodation could be found for them they were removed to "ludges" or wooden huts put up in the Leith. Their foul gear (i.e., furniture, etc.), was also taken to the Links, and their houses were cleansed or shut up.

The number of "ludges" went on increasing with the spread of infection. The town as a whole began to be enveloped as the infected houses were closed up, and the occupants transferred to the Links. Upon a death occurring in a "lodge" it was disinfected by the burning of whins, heather, and straw. Every this process had its risks, for in 1910 Kilsno, with all its houses, was burned by a fire caused by cleaning one of the plague infected houses. At one time no terrible had been the waste of male life that Leith women were impressed into the denning service, probably those who were cured of the plague, and on that account were not liable to infection. Women criminals were also made use of in this way.

In Edinburgh so great was the depopulation caused by the pest that, at the Cross in the High Street, one of Europe's most crowded centres of popular life, grass grew thickly. The sick were lodged in the King's Park and Burghmuir, and were buried where they died, and not in the churchyards, lest the infection might burst out anew if ever the graves were re-opened.

Following the scourge Leith was cleansed, and, as the editor of the Records notes, it recalled the labour of Hercules in the Augean Stables. The houses of the time were partly built of wood, partly of boulders gathered at the seashore. There were no ceilings to hide the low thatched rafters, no ventilation, no drains. The windows were filled with movable boards, which in cold weather were mostly kept light shut. The fire rested on the ground, and the smoke either made its exit by a primitive chimney, or made a circuit of the room and escaped by the door, which was so low that a man required to stoop when entering. The earthen floor was rarely swept, and so accumulated all manner of rubbish and decaying matter. It is easy, therefore, to see that in such dense, small, primitive, and overcrowded, the spread of the plague could not be checked without extreme difficulty.

CHINESE WIFE.

Must Leave Australia.

A deputation from Geelong recently waited on the Acting Minister for External Affairs, Senator Finlay, to urge that the Chinese wife of a Chinese resident of Geelong, named Hop Poon Goosy, should be allowed to stay in Australia.

Mr. O'Sullivan, M.P., said that Hop Poon Goosy had been in Australia for 18 years.

Last year, he went to China and married a Chinese woman. He received permission to bring his wife to Australia for six months, the period subsequently being extended to nine months.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Goosy had had a child. The nine months would shortly expire, and he urged that she should be allowed to stay in Australia with her husband and child.

He (Mr. O'Sullivan) was in favour of the white Australia policy, but this was an exceptional case.

Mr. Balfour, M.L.O., said he also was in favour of the white Australia policy, but it would be better to let a man's home in Australia be broken up. In the present circumstances he admitted that the department had made a bargain with the Chinese that his wife should return to China, but he urged that on the grounds of humanity it would be very kind and quick to let her husband and wife.

It would be much better to refuse applications by Chinese to go to China and marry, than to break the ties of those whom God said no man should put asunder.

Senator Finlay, in reply, said it was not disputed that Goosy was a reputable citizen, and had a large circle of friends. He was, however, of the opinion that, when permission was granted to him to bring his wife to Australia he accepted the condition that she was to return to her native land when the period of her stay for a year or so expired. Many applications had been made to allow Chinese wives to stay in Australia, but in only one case, when the wife was ill, had the permission been granted. It was an exception made in Goosy's case, and it would be very difficult to do so again.

Mr. Balfour said the department was breaking both Divine and human law in separating husband and wife, and that the Chinese wife was a very respectable woman, and had been in Australia for a long time, and he urged that she should be allowed to stay in Australia with her husband and child.

The deputation said they would interview Mr. Balfour on the subject.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, Aug 24th 1911, at 100 cents per Dollar at par.

Butcher Meats.

Beef Sirlon & Prime Cut—Moi Lung Pa	lb	20
Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	lb	20
Roast—Shiu	lb	20
Breast—Nagu Lam	lb	16
Scap—Tong Yuk	lb	15
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	lb	20
Sirlon Cotom—Ngau Lau	lb	30
Sausages—Ngau Chung	lb	24
Bullock's Brains—Knew	per set	9
Tongue fresh—Ngau Li	each	45
Corned—Ham Ngau Li	lb	60
Head—Ngau Tan	lb	90
Heart—Ngau Sun	lb	12
Hump Salt—Ngau Kin	lb	18
Feet—Ngau Kark	each	9
Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	lb	18
Tail—Ngau Mei	lb	12
Liver—Ngau Kon	lb	12
Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	lb	6
Calve Head & Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kau	set	1
Mutton Chop—Young Poi Kwat	lb	22
Leg—Young Poi	lb	22
Shoulder—Young Shau	lb	20
Pigs Chiddings—Chu Chong	lb	22
Brains—Chu Know	per set	24
Feet—Chu Kark	lb	12
Fry—Chu Chai	lb	15
Head—Chu Tai	lb	15
Heart—Chu Sun	each	13
Kidneys—Chu Yiu	lb	9
Liver—Chu Con	lb	30
Pork Chop—Chu Fai Kwat	lb	20
Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	lb	24
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	lb	15
Shoeps Head and Feet—Young Tau Kark	set	6
Heart—Young Sun	each	6
Kidneys—Young Yiu	lb	9
Liver—Young Con	lb	24
Sucking Pigs To Order—Chu Chai	lb	22
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	lb	20
Mutton—Sang Young Yau	lb	22
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk	lb	20
Sausages—Ngau Chai Chung	lb	20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai	lb	28
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	lb	30
Ducks—AP	lb	18
Doves—Pan Kau	each	1
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per doz	24
Fowls, Canton—Kai	lb	34
Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	lb	27
Geese—Ngai	lb	22
Geese, Wild Shai—Shang-hoi Yea Ngai	pair	—
Musk Deer—Wong Keng	each	—
Hare, Shanghah—Ju Chai	each	—
Partridge—Che Koo	each	—
Pheasant—Shan Kai	each	—
Pigeons, Canton—Pai Kip	each	30
Holloys—Hoi Hoi Pak Kip	each	24
Quail—Um Chun	each	—
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen	—
Snipe—Sa Choy	each	23
Larks, Cock—Pai Kai Kung	each	40
Hen—Hoi Nam	each	42
Wild Ducks, Shai—Shang-hoi Sul Ap	pair	—
Wild Ducks, Canton—Sang Shing Sul Ap	pair	—

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb	11
Bream—Bin Yu	lb	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu	lb	16
Carp—Li Yu	lb	20
Catfish—Chik Yu	lb	18
Codfish—Mun Yu	lb	18
Crabs—Hoi	lb	17
Cuttle Fish—Mak Yu	lb	15
Dab—Sa Mang Yu	lb	16
Osse—Wong Mei Lun	lb	12
Dog Fish—Tui Tui	lb	9
Eels, Canton—Hoi Marm	lb	17
Fresh water—Tan Sin Yu	lb	16
Eels, Yellow—Wong Sin	lb	28
Frogs—Tien Kai	lb	24
Groupers—Sek Pan	lb	60
Gudgeon—Fak Kip Yu	lb	12
Harrings—Tao Pak	lb	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kip	lb	32
Labrus—Wong Pa Yu	lb	20
Loach—Wu Yu	lb	32
Loabers—Lung Ha	lb	40
Mackerel—Chi Yu	lb	24
Moon Fish—Ming Yu	lb	28
Mullet—Chai Yu	lb	28
Oysters—Sang Hoo	lb	—
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	lb	16
Perch—Tan Lo	lb	15
Pike—Fai Pau Pong	lb	9
Plaice—Pan Yu	lb	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	lb	24
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong	lb	32
Prawn—Bing Ha	lb	48
Ray—Pai Fa Se	lb	9
Rock Fish—Sai Ka Kung	lb	18
Roach—Chu Yu	lb	10

Meat.

Shank—Ma Yau Yu	lb	38
Shank—So Yu	lb	9
Shank—Po Yu	lb	10
Shrimp—Ha	lb	28
Snapper—Lap Yu	lb	32
Sole—Tao Sa Yu	lb	40
Tench—Wan Yu	lb	24
Turbot—Cho Hoi Yu	lb	54
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kork Yu	lb	—
White Fish—Ngau Yu Chai	lb	—

Fruits.

Almonds—Hung Yan	lb	25
Apples (California)—Ean San Ping Kho	lb	10
Apples (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho	lb	10
Small—Hoi Tong	lb	—
Custard—Fan Lai Chai	each	6
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—San Shing	lb	3
Bananas (Hoi), Canton—San Shing	lb	3
Chestnuts, Chinese—Fong Lat	lb	—
Carambola—Yeung Tuo	lb	6
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tuo	each	10
Lemons, China—Ning Moong	lb	6
Oranges—Kun San Ning Moong	lb	10
Lichees Dried—Lai Chi small Stone	lb	20
Fresh—Lai Chi	lb	—
Limes (Siam)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	each	10
Mango, Manila—Lai Sang Moong	lb	—
Mangosteens—San Chut Tuo	doz	—
Oranges (Canton)—San Shing Tin Ching	lb	—
Oranges Sweet	lb	—
Pears (American)—Kun San Shoot Lay	lb	—
(Canton), Cooking—Sa Lay	lb	—
Peanuts—Fa Sang	lb	10
Parasitum Large—Hung Chie	lb	10
Pineapples, Intiquality—Poon Ti Paw Lay	each	10
2nd—Chung-tang Paw Lay	each	10
Plantain—Tai Chau	lb	2
Plums—Svatow, Hung Lai	lb	—
Pumpkin, Siam—Chim Lo Yau	each	15
Shanghai—Lo Kwat	lb	—
Walnuts—Hop Tuo	lb	20
Green—Sang Hop Tuo	lb	—
Water Melon—(Am.) Kom San Sai Kw	each	3
(China) Sai Kw	each	3
Grapes—Sang Po Tai Tuo	lb	15

Vegetables &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Sheng-hoi, Ah	lb	—
Chickpeas—Chai Chuk	lb	—
Beans (French), Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tuo	lb	—
(French), Shanghai—Sheng Hoi	lb	—
Spinach—Ah Cho	lb	—
Long—Tau Ko	lb	—
Best Root—Hung Chai Tan	each	2
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yuan	lb	5
Red—Hung K	lb	5
Cabbage, Chinese, com—Kai Choy	lb	12
Cabbage Red—Hung Yea Choy	lb	12
Cabbage, Shanghai—Yeh Choy	lb	14
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Ehan	lb	8
Cauliflower, Large size—Tui Yeh Cho Fa	each	—
Medium size—Cheung Yeh Cho Fa	each	—
Small size—Sai Yen Chai Fa	each	—
Carrots—Kam Shin	lb	6
Celery, Chinese—Tung Kan Chai	lb	6
English—Young	lb	—

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harbour still proceeds. It is said that unless the operations are totally abandoned, ADMIRAL LI is to be ordered to take up his abode at Macao pending the conclusion of negotiations on the general question of the delimitation of the boundaries there; but that if, as is persistently rumoured, the ADMIRAL should be transferred to Peking, "the task" will be handed over to the newly-appointed Tartar-General, H.E. Fung Shan, who will thus have to exercise both naval and military functions. Then it is said that the VICEROY of CANTON has declared that the troops now stationed at Chin Shan must be regarded as doing "important duty," and has ordered that the special maps of the neighbourhood be prepared and placed in the hands of all the officers who are at present on duty there, so that each one may see clearly what is Chinese territory and what is claimed by the Portuguese. The Viceroy is further said to have ordered artillery to proceed to the spot that they may be there in readiness for any emergency. Moreover, both infantry and artillery are to constantly practise, "so that they may be familiar with their weapons and with the work they may be called upon to do." The men are reported to be in good spirits and to move about with a good deal of alacrity, giving attention to their duties with much zest. The newspaper from which we are quoting also publishes the text of a despatch which the VICEROY is said to have received from Peking, in which it is said that negotiations in respect of the harbour dredging and the levying of taxes are being daily carried on through the PORTUGUESE MINISTER in Peking. The despatch also says that in consequence of the attitude of the people of Kwangtung the Board of Foreign Affairs has ordered the temporary cessation of the dredging work. A reference is made to the despatch of native troops to Chin Shan, and it is ordered that the disposition and movements of these detachments be reported to the Foreign Office at Peking and that no move be made without the sanction of the Board. "All movements in connection with this matter are to be reported by telegram to the capital as soon as they have been decided on."

It will be admitted from the tenor of the above extracts that the Chinese have very definite opinions as to the significance of the despatch of troops to the vicinity of Macao, and in view of rumours of the construction of batteries in the district, we are somewhat surprised that an explanation of the presence of the Chinese soldiers has not been demanded here. The situation certainly appears to be one of some delicacy and one which will require the calm and serious attention of the Portuguese authorities.

THE SUB-CONTRACT CASE.

Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court this morning, gave judgment in the case in which the Tung Fat firm sued Mr. H. Ruttenberg to recover \$708.10, being amount alleged to be due for painting, carpentering and other work done and materials provided and supplied.

Mr R. A. Harding was for plaintiff and Mr F. K. d'Almeida a Castro for defendant. His Lordship said—In this case I am not satisfied that plaintiff has made out his case and I shall give judgment for defendant.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Among the passengers who left for Japan yesterday by the Aki Maru were Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Hickling, Mr. C. C. Hickling, Miss Rose and Mrs. Worcester and child.

News has been received in Shanghai that Mr. H. G. Baugh, who has for some time past been acting as U. S. Vice-Consul at Tientsin, has received well deserved promotion to full Consul and been transferred to Saigon. During his Consular career Mr. Baugh has been stationed as Vice-Consul at Canton, Hankow, Moukden, and Lushan.

A very successful experiment in long distance telephoning was carried out recently between Paris and Aberdeen. Communication between the two cities was established by way of London, Dover and Calais. The Paris International Exchange called up the local office of The Daily Chronicle, and switched it on to Aberdeen. Despite the long distance—a matter of a thousand miles or so—it was possible to hear quite distinctly and without any buzzing.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

H.M.S. Harbours off on Tuesday next.

The French Mail of the 1st August was delivered in London on the 31st August.

Surgeon Givens, of H.M.S. Rosario, has exchanged places with Surgeon Rathenford, of H.M.S. Cadmus.

Our illustration this week for the Overseas Chinese Mail cover is a group of three photos, being scenes of last Saturday's gymnastics.

The work of constructing the Canton-Hankow-Szechuan railway will be started early in November. Mr. Collinson, chief engineer of the railway, is now surveying the new track.

We have been asked to mention that the meeting of subscribers called for Tuesday, 5th September, will be held in the City Hall, instead of the committee rooms at the Supreme Court.

We have received from Messrs. Garner, Quetch and Co. samples of Nicolas Bonass, Fabrics (Cairo) cigarettes. These are most excellent cigarettes and are stocked by Messrs. Garner, Quetch and Co. in two grades.

The Nippon Fremsu in a leading article on the Anglo-Japanese Treaty, expresses the hope that Russian diplomacy will not fail to take advantage of the opportunity of negotiating an arbitration treaty with Great Britain.

We have received an itinerary of a party of 70 Americans who will arrive at Hongkong on October the 30th en route on a tour around the world. The party will be in charge of Mr. D. F. Robertson, who will conduct a summer through China.

The Silk ex the O. S. K. a.s. Seattle Maru which left Hongkong on the 13th June was delivered in New York on the 20th July. A new record of 111 hours in transit from Tacoma to New York was established.

If Dame Rumour be correct, says the Shanghai Mercury, the taxist trade in the settlement is shortly to witness some competition. Another automobile firm are said to have an eye to an extension of their business in this direction, and should anything materialise the likelihood is, as in all other business matters, that the "competition" which is the life of trade, will be a welcome innovation to the community.

A circular letter issued to the fleet by the Admiralty states that there are so many men in the various ranks rated "very good" that it becomes increasingly difficult to select men for promotion. In future, therefore, men who are fit for early promotion, and who stand above their fellows both in efficiency and in natural capacity, are to be rated "exceptional." Efficient men, fit for promotion, but with no special claims to early advancement, are to be rated "superior," and those who, while efficient, are not fit for present advancement are to be described "satisfactory." Fairly efficient and inefficient men will be rated "moderate" and "inferior" respectively.

Lord Hugh Cecil has written a letter to the Press in which he says he is convinced that those members of the House of Commons who made their protest against the Parliament Bill in the House of Commons recently performed a necessary act of public duty. "I observe," he adds, "with a sombre amusement that many of those who highly approved my political action between 1903 and 1906 now no less warmly disapprove. Yet it is precisely the same person who opposed Tariff Reform who now opposes the Parliament Bill; a person blameworthy, I sincerely trust, but one who is not to be taken seriously as a sincere desire to prefer the public advantage to his own."

The statement of profit and loss in the working of the Japanese Government railways for the last fiscal year has been drawn up. The result shows that the gross revenue amounted to ¥80,000,000, and the working expenses to ¥43,000,000, leaving a gross profit of ¥37,000,000. Compared with his previous years the revenue showed an increase of ¥6,000,000, while the increase in working expenses was not more than ¥1,000,000. When the nationalization of the railways was first effected, the working expenses greatly increased, (the Japan Chronicle observes), but as the result of various reforms introduced into the management of the lines the working expenses have been reduced to their former level.

On July 22 the steel screw collier Rokkoku Maru, built by J. Rydon Dixon and Co., Limited, of Cleveland Dockyard, Middlesbrough-on-Tees, to the order of Messrs. Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Limited, of London and Japan, through Messrs. Glover Brothers, London, proceeded to sea for her official trials. The vessel is of the latest and most improved type of patent cantilever construction, with upside water ballast tanks. She is classed 100 A1 at Lloyd's. Her principal dimensions are 276 ft. by 42 ft. 3 in. by 20 ft. 6 in. moored depth. She has a deadweight carrying capacity of over 3,000 tons on a light draught of water. The vessel has four large hatchways, three holds absolutely free from all obstructions such as beams, pillars, or other fittings, and is perfectly self-trimming, owing to the sliding sides of the top side tanks. Of the total amount of about 1,100 tons of water-tight which the vessel can carry, about one-half will be confined in the top-side tanks. The vessel has all the latest and most modern appliances for the handling of cargo. Her triple expansion engines, placed aft, have cylinders 21, 35, and 57 in. by 30 in. stroke, supplied with steam by two large vertical boilers, working at 185 lb. per square inch. The trials passed off most successfully.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT AT
THE MAGISTRACY.

Two Women Bound Over.

The serenity of the Magistracy was rudely disturbed this morning by a quarrel, accompanied by some two obnoxious language, in which two women named Marie Perpatero and Adelaide Crestego respectively took prominent parts. This led to their appearance before Mr. F. A. Hasland about a quarter of an hour afterwards, when his Worship asked defendant Perpatero if she had made a noise, to which she promptly replied that she had. The other defendant said she had not created any disturbance.

However, evidence was given by P. C. Clark to the effect that at 10.40 o'clock defendant had behaved in a disorderly manner within the precincts of the Magistracy, as well as having shouted in the Portuguese tongue.

His Worship—Have you any questions to ask the constable?

"Can I speak two words," queried defendant Perpatero.

"Yes, what do you want to say," asked his Worship.

Defendant then entered into a long and valuable explanation of how she had been living for six months with a man whom she pointed out to his Worship, at the back of the court. She alleged he had taken the bread out of her mouth and destroyed her furniture and had kept her for the last two months on \$40. What was to become of her and her children, she asked. Yesterday he had told her to go to his office, when he had given her \$2. He had run into the street like a fool and assaulted her there. To-day was the first of the month and he had not given her anything.

"You mustn't make a noise here," interrupted his Worship, and asked what the other defendant had done to her.

"She assaulted me properly in the street," was the reply.

Defendants were bound over in the sum of \$100 each to keep the peace for one year.

His Worship told them not to make any more noise.

S.S. HAZEL DOLLAR ASHORE.

News reached Shanghai on Aug. 28th, that the Dollar Line steamer Hazel Dollar, bound from Seattle to Hankow with a cargo of lumber, had gone ashore either on Sunday night (27th) or early next morning when leaving Moosan (Japan). According to latest advices, it was thought that the steamer would be refueled and proceed on her voyage with little delay.

It is worthy of note, says the N. O. Daily News, that only a few months ago—in May of this year—the same steamer went aground in Puget Sound and the cost of refueling and repairing her amounted to about \$100,000 (gold).

THE HANDMANN OPERA CO.

The Theatre Royal was well filled last night when the Handmann Co. staged "The Islander." This was the first time the play had been produced in Hongkong, and we should imagine it will be the last. Everybody was looking forward to a really funny, light musical comedy, but to say the least of it, the humour certainly required to be "searched for," while the music was, on the whole, very poor stuff indeed. The public does not look for any profound "plot" in a musical comedy, but it does expect to have its attention held to a certain degree in following the unfolding of the story, even if everybody knows how it will work out. "The Islander," however, utterly fails to do this; it is so tame and so full of inanities that it would scarcely amuse or entertain a gathering of juveniles—unless it were for its picturesque and attractive setting. This was, indeed, practically the only redeeming feature of last night's show, for the piece, whatever its demerits, was capitally put on. Of course, the shortcomings of the play had nothing to do with the performers, who, though evidently conscious of the futility of their efforts, did their utmost to arouse the interest of the audience—a task almost as impossible of accomplishment as the making of bricks without straw.

However, the audience was in fairly indulgent mood and laughed and applauded, if not when it felt like it, certainly when it was expected to.

Mr. Bobby Roberts made the most of the title role, the Scotchman who became Pao of the title of Killi Kaire, but his time-worn gags fell a trifle flat at times. Mr. Alfred Frith as Seamus Jones was the only entertaining character of the whole cast, but even here this was not due to the part, but simply to his funny interpretation of it. He brought the house down with his song "I'm going crazy." The only other feature worth mentioning were the "globe-trotting" duet and dances by Mr. James McGrath and Miss Madge Vincent, and the nautical dance by the popular trio of lady dancers.

As we have said, the poor show was no fault of the players; all the same, we are surprised that the management should include such a puerile production in its repertoire and expect the public to pay \$3.60 for the questionable privilege of being bored by insipid trivialities.

To-night the season ends with "The Merry Widow," when by request Mr. Fred Coyne will play the part of Prince Danilo.

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THE SHANGHAI SHIPPING FIRE.

Details of the Disaster.

On the 26th ult. our Shanghai correspondent sent us news of a shipping calamity by which the German steamer Meishun was completely burnt and two other steamers, the Loongwo and the Wosang, badly damaged. Shanghai papers to hand give full accounts of the happening. The fire, which will be one of most operative in the annals of the port's shipping, broke out just on the stroke of 10 a.m. on board the N. D. L. river steamer Meishun, 1,180 tons, Captain Manning, which arrived on the 23rd from Hankow, and was taken to the Old Dock to undergo repairs. She was lying on the outside of the steamer Wosang, 1,137 tons, Captain Smith, which was also having repairs done. At the hour named, while native workmen were employed down below in the Meishun an explosion took place in the fore peak of the vessel, supposedly among some tons of oil which were stored there.

The alarm was sounded as quickly as possible but in a few moments the ship was a mass of flame from stem to stern, the flames from the burning vessel leaping high into the air, accompanied by dense clouds of smoke and blazing sparks which were blown in every direction and presented a grand but terrifying sight. The fire quickly spread to the Wosang and she was soon ablaze in the fore part of the bridge, etc. The lines holding the two vessels were cast adrift and the Meishun gradually dropped astern but as the wind was blowing shoreward she still remained alongside the Wosang. Meanwhile the dock fire appliances as well as those on the Wosang were brought into play and owing to the courage and energy of Captain Smith of the Wosang and his officers, assisted by a number of Customs officers, the flames on the Wosang were extinguished, the men fighting the flames despite the terrific heat from the burning vessel.

The Fire Brigade, the Municipal fire fleet, the Customs fire fleet and numerous hydrants played streams of water on the vessels, but the Meishun was already on fire and every effort was being made to get her clear of the I. C. steamer Loongwo, 3,925 tons, Captain Christie, upon which vessel the burning craft had drifted. The Loongwo soon caught alight in the forepart, the bridge and upper works burning fiercely. Captain Christie and his officers and crew attacked the flames and, by good luck, the Meishun, which was swinging at a single anchor, was not able to drift any further down, but remained jammed against the bows of the Loongwo. The lines of the Loongwo were let go and Captain Christie, who, despite the flames, remained at his post on the bridge, managed to get his ship clear of the wharf and the blazing Meishun and got out into the river; dropping down he was able to anchor in the lower part of the harbour, where the remnants of the blaze were extinguished.

While this was in progress the vessels in the harbour were sounding the alarm and the tug Samson, Captain Corneek, had got as close as possible to the Meishun, and one of the native crew jumped into the river and swam to the vessel, where, amid a shower of blazing sparks and burning debris, he made a line fast to one of the anchor cables of the Meishun. As soon as the line was fast the Samson started to tow the Meishun away from the wharf, which was threatening to catch alight.

After towing the vessel a short distance, the line parted and the burning craft started drifting down on the I. C. steamer Koonshing, Captain Wright, which was alongside the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf. Immediate steps were taken on board the Koonshing to cast off and get out in the stream, but fortunately this was not necessary, as the Meishun swung clear, and by this time the native sailor from the Samson had again plunged into the river and through the flaming debris that strewn the surface of the water he gained the bows of the burning steamer and again made a line fast to the second anchor cable, climbing up on the anchor, which was hanging close to the water to do so. He was then hauled on board the Samson and she commenced to tow the steamer once more, but had only got her well clear of the wharf when the wire again snapped with a loud twang and the steamer was once more at the mercy of the wind and tide.

She rapidly drifted down close to the I. C. steamer Easing, Captain Meyrick,

but when near to her the wind shifted and blew the floating danger right against the wharf. By this time most of the wood work of the vessel had been burnt away, leaving nothing but the iron hull with its mass of twisted iron beams and framework, and the smoke stack which loomed up out of the blazing mass like a pillar of flame.

Meanwhile the Samson had approached as near as possible to the blazing hull from which the heat was intense and the Chinese sailors who had twice distinguished themselves again leaped over the side and for the third time swam to the vessel and again made a line fast to the starboard anchor, his efforts being greeted with loud applause from the bystanders, and in a short time, the line this time, fortunately holding, the vessel was towed into the river and moored off the Pootung Point, where she lay smouldering, her colours flying to the last.

Later in the day the burnt vessel was towed down river to the New Dock near Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.'s coal wharf on the Pootung side, and here she was moored, while the Customs fleet continued to pour water into the smouldering bulk.

It is a fortunate thing that the fire occurred in the daytime and also that the vessel had one anchor down, as if that had not been the case the burning craft would have swept the entire wharf front before the vessels there could have had a chance to get clear. The work of the Chinese sailors from the tug Samson is especially to be commended and his daring efforts should not be allowed to be forgotten. During the progress of the fire several of the men of war in port despatched boats crews to the scene, but they could not render any assistance. The value of the Meishun is roughly estimated at £10,000 and she is insured in Germany.

A later report says the fire, which was at first reported to have been caused by an explosion of all time in the fore part, was probably caused by the dropping of a lamp or match by one of the workmen who were down in the oil saturated hold at the time or by the oil fumes catching fire.

When the fire first broke out Captain Manning and his officers had narrow escapes and only managed to get clear of the ship in time, losing all their effects, as the flames spread so rapidly that it was impossible to secure anything from any of the cabins. When Captain Smith, of the I. C. steamer Wosang, which was alongside the Meishun, saw that there was danger of his ship catching alight, he made a rush for his cabin in order to secure a box containing his papers and nautical instruments, but just as he threw open his cabin door he was met by a sheet of flame which drove him back. As he opened the door, his pet dog, which was inside the room, rushed out and escaped death, but not so a couple of favourite kittens which were sleeping on the bridge deck, where in fact all the officers were making their quarters at night during the hot weather. The Wosang's damages are considerable and it will take some time to make the necessary repairs, which would have been of a far more serious nature had it not been for the splendid work done by Captain Smith and his officers, who all stuck to their posts despite the intense heat both from the Meishun and their own vessel. The I. C. steamer Loongwo, commanded by Captain Christie, which also caught alight, was not so badly damaged as was at first thought, the principal damage being on the port side of the bridge, and the sides of the houses on the bridge deck and the charring of the mast, and she left as usual at night on her regular trip to Hankow.

THE COST OF THE ACCIDENT.

Though no actual estimate has yet been made of the damage, says the N. O. Daily News, it may be said roughly that it will cost Tls. 100,000 to replace the Meishun, Tls. 30,000 to repair the Wosang, and Tls. 5,000 to put the Loongwo into as perfect a condition as before she suffered damage.

It is rumoured, says the N. O. Daily News, that there is some uncertainty as to whether the resolutions passed by shareholders recently at meetings of local companies to reduce the capital of such companies can legally be enforced, and that the question is at present the subject of an inquiry by the colonial office.

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WILLIAM EWART GLADSTONE.

"G. O. M." "GRANDSON AS CANDIDATE."
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, September 1.
Mr William Ewart Gladstone, a grandson of the "Grand old man", has been invited to become Liberal candidate in the Kilmarnock bye-election.

JAPAN'S NEW MINISTRY.

NO NEW POLICY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, September 1.

A Tokyo message says the Premier, Marquis Saionji, in the course of an interview, disclaimed any intention of changing the country's policy.

SEQUEL TO PICTURE LOSS.

OFFICIALS DISMISSED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, September 1.

A Paris message says that as a result of an enquiry into the loss of Vinci's famous picture, "La Jacande", the Government has dismissed the Director of the National Museums and also the chief keeper at the Louvre.

DEFENCE OF ST. PETERSBURG.

BIG SCHEME COMPLETE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 31.

A Holmings message states that the Russian Government has appropriated three millions sterling for the fortification of two portions of the province of Viborg, recently annexed. This, with the establishment of a naval base at Heringsand and the removal of the South Baltic fleet from Libau to Revel, completes a comprehensive plan for the defence of St. Petersburg.

BRITAIN'S COAL SUPPLY.

WILL ONLY LAST 175 YEARS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 31.

Professor William Ramsay, addressing the inaugural meeting of the British Association at Plymouth, gravely warned the country regarding the exhaustion of Britain's coal supply, which was sufficient only for 175 years. He urged legislation in order to secure industrial economies.

THE VIENNA INTERVIEW.

BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE DENIAL.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, August 31.

The Foreign Office has denied that any British diplomatist was connected with the interview in the *Neue Freie Presse*.

INDIAN OPIUM.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, August 31.

The President of the Board of Revenue proposes to send officers to India to investigate the plucking and sale of opium for export.

ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

EXPORTATION INTO CHINA.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, August 31.

A notification has been sent to the general Min'ers in Peking stating that in connection with the importation of arms and ammunition into China it is necessary to first apply to the Wai-wu-pu for a license, which should be produced to the Board of Revenue, and having complied with these conditions, the Inspector General of Customs should be notified, when such arms and ammunition could be examined and passed.

TEETHING CHILDREN.

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JAPANESE MILITARY PROMOTIONS.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, Sept. 1.

The Commander of the 14th Division (Lieut. General Samejima) and the Commander of the Army in Chosen (Lieut. General Ueda) will be promoted to the rank of General on the 5th inst.

AMBASSADOR O'BRIEN DEPARTS.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, Sept. 1.

Mr O'Brien, American Ambassador, who has been appointed to Rome, left yesterday.

JAPAN'S COLONIAL MINISTER.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 1.

Mr H. Motoda has been appointed President of the Colonial Board in the new Cabinet.

LIVE Doves AS PEACE SYMBOLS.

Yokohama, August 23.

Hon. Thomas Simons, American Consul-General at Yokohama, gave a farewell dinner to-day at the Grand Hotel in honour of Mr Thomas O'Brien, the American Ambassador, who is soon to leave for his new post in Italy.

Present at the dinner was Dr David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford University, who made his first speech since his arrival in Japan. Dr Jordan's subject was the world movement for peace, and at the conclusion of his eloquent oration, a cover was raised from a large dish in the centre of the table, when six snow-white doves flew out and circled about the room, symbolizing the topic of the speaker. The dinner was attended by a large number of prominent Japanese and foreigners.

THE CAPTURED SEALERS.

Tokyo, August 27.

The Russian warship *Manjuria* has captured seven more Japanese sealing vessels near Khabarovsk in the Koryu Islands. After confiscating all arms and sealings, the warship released the sealers with a warning. The Japanese crew reports that it received outrageous treatment at the hands of the Russians.

THE ARBITRATION TREATY.

New York, August 17.

The situation in the Senate in regard to the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty is gloomy. Even the Government organs do not deny the fact. It is generally expected that the bill will be abandoned.

AMOY JOTTINGS.

(From our Own Correspondent.)
Amoy, August 20.

DEATH.

The death occurred on Saturday last, of Mr J. Chapman, for many years in charge of Sugar Loaf Lighthouse. Mr Chapman had been on leave for a month, and was about to return on duty, when he became ill, and for six weeks he had been fighting for his life. The sickness was sun-stroke, caused by sun-stroke some years ago. The deceased gentleman was a very vigorous and hearty specimen of manhood, and it comes as a hard blow to his wife and daughter, who have nursed him throughout the illness. The burial took place on Sunday morning, the Rev. P. W. Fischer conducting the service. Mr Chapman was an American and was 53 years of age.

TENNIS.

The finals of the Wimbledon Cup

Tournament were played off on Friday afternoon, and resulted in an easy win for Messrs Frewin and Olla.

THE TYHOON.

Amoy had its share of the blow during the week-end, though very little damage was done. Had the centre passed closer, assuredly far more damage would have resulted, as the tides were at their highest at the time. The storm passed up the centre of the Formosa Channel on Sunday morning, the lowest reading being 20.2. Very little rain fell, less than one inch. It is reported that the south end of Formosa had the full force of the typhoon and that terrible damage and loss of life has taken place. No details are to hand yet.

AT THE MAGISTRACY.

An Indian, who had been the Great Northern Telegraph Co., was fined \$3 for assault.

An Indian soldier was charged with

allowing his goats to trespass on Crown land in Kowloon and the case was dismissed, no damage having been done.

Lance Sergeant White procured a boat-

woman for being in unlawful possession of about two tons of coal and a fine of \$25 was imposed by Mr F. A. Hazelard.

Twenty-nine opium smokers from No. 20, Centre Street were fined \$5 each, by Mr J. B. Ward, at the Magistracy this morning, while the keeper was fined \$250.

A Chinese detective servant was re-

minded, by Mr F. A. Hazelard, at the Magistracy this morning, on a charge of

misconduct as a police officer, but being

allowed, in the sum of \$100. Mr P. V. Hazelard appeared to defend.

KWANGTUNG NOTES.

THE NEW-KANTON GENERAL.

H. H. Fung Shan, the recently appointed Tartar-General for Canton, seems singularly reluctant to come to the south to take over the duties of his office. He knows, of course, what the temper of a certain section of the people is, and how thoroughly many of them sympathize in theory with the revolutionary movement. He knows also that the previous Tartar-General was shot, and that Admiral Li nearly lost his life; hence his reluctance to enter the lion's den. He has recently been discussing the state of affairs, and one thing he seems convinced of is that the present Bannermen are quite incompetent to protect the interests committed to them, and, therefore, he asks that the force shall be re-constructed and re-armed. It appears from the information available that for the time being, while Admiral Li is laid aside, and in the event of his being called to Peking, of which there are persistent rumours, the Tartar-General is to have command of the sea forces also. All things considered, it is quite evident that the gallant general does not desire the billet in Canton for the present.

APPOINTED PRISON OUTRAGES.

When any deaths occur in the Nam Ho prison in Canton it is the duty of an official to hold an inquiry into the case before the corpse is encoffined and taken away for burial. Recently two deaths have taken place, and the subsequent examination seemed to reveal the fact that neither prisoner had died a natural death, but that both had been strangled. There were also marks of bad treatment on the bodies, and so evident was it that there had been rough usage by someone that the official refused the necessary permit for the burial of the deceased. It is not yet quite clear what will be done in the case. This outrage gives our informant the occasion for making some further statements about the prison in Canton. It is said that the chief warders are Hunan men, and that they unite with the older prisoners who have been in jail a long time, and who know who's who, and in this way learn who amongst the prisoners have money and who are really poor. The result is that those who are members of a family that has wealth are brutally treated, in order that the members of the family may come forward and so buy off the warders and ease the prisoner of the threatened cruelty. In other words, according to our informant, the worst abuses of the past are still allowed, or are ignored, and especially has this been so during the recent months, when there has been so much official bitterness against many prisoners because they are supposed to be in touch with revolutionary movements.

A TRAGEDY IN PATERN.

A man named Tam Fuk who resided in Fatahan and carried on business as a paper-seller, recently took to himself a wife, and there was born to them a son. According to Chinese ideas the father should have been a very happy man, but trouble soon came to him. Recently for some reason or other he cut off his queue and went out to preach measures for the renovation of China. About the middle of last month, he was talking at Shek Wan, and, having been seen by soldiers, was arrested. Under examination by torture he confessed that he belonged to the Reform party. Meanwhile, the neighbours hearing what was done, subscribed some money and gave it to the wife and sent her with their guarantees to the police authorities to secure the man's release by bail. When she reached the spot, however, she discovered that already her husband had been executed. She thereupon gave way to grief, and it is only with difficulty that she can be prevented from committing suicide. A week ago she sent for the acquaintances and paid them to recall the spirit of her husband that she might converse with him.

THE FLOODS IN PATERN.

We have already referred to the heavy floods that have inconvenienced the business people in Fatahan for some time and also prevented the farmers from planting the second crop of rice. Lately the water receded gradually and both people and farmers thought that the worst was over for this year. Now we understand that letters have come to hand which say that the waters of the North River are rising and if this is so, there will be another overflow. It is, therefore, a time of extreme anxiety, for if there is another delay, it will be too late to put in the autumn crop, at least to ensure a full crop.

WORLD-RE-ARMAMENT FATE.

It will be remembered that a little time ago it was reported that Chan, the would-be assassin of Admiral Li, was to be kept in prison, and not be released, seeing that he "did not effect his purpose." Now it appears that a message has arrived from the Board of Law at Peking ordering that he be strangled. This is quite an unusual punishment for a man guilty of such a crime.

THE VICTORIA DAILY COLONIST SAYS.

Contracts have been awarded to the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company of Glasgow for the immediate construction of two large "Empress" steamers for the Pacific, trade of the C.P.R. to be run by a contract service out of (by port of) Victoria and Vancouver, to the Orient, and they will be 670 ft. long, with engines giving a speed of eighteen knots. This speed should enable the vessels to make the voyage between Yokohama and Victoria in ten days. An average speed of 19 knots by two Yukolama and this port, without delays, after of the trip being made in 9 days, 18 hours and 25 minutes. The latest time that has been made on the Pacific is 10 days 11 hours, made twelve years ago by the *Empress of Japan*.

AN APOLOGY.

We desire to express our regret that we should have inserted a letter in last night's issue of this newspaper, signed "Sleepless," complaining of the conduct of the officers of one of the Regiments stationed at Kowloon. Whether the letter was written by way of a joke we know not, but we have since been informed that the allegations made in it were incorrect, as it appears that every officer of the regiment named in the letter had quietly retired to his own quarters early on the evening of Wednesday last.

SPORTING.

Civil Service Cricket Club.

ANNUAL MEETING.

There was a good attendance at the annual general meeting of the Civil Service Cricket Club held in the pavilion, Happy Valley, on Thursday evening. Hon. Mr W. Chatham, C.M.G., presided and amongst those present were Messrs F. Fischer, A. M. Thornhill, P. Heathcote, C. H. Parkinson, W. H. Woolley, W. J. J. Gast, W. Higby, and the secretary, Mr F. Howell.

The Chairman said the report and accounts were very satisfactory, the subscriptions being more than the previous year by about \$200 and as that was due to the increase in the number of subscribers it was very gratifying. He had pleasure in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr F. Howell seconded and the motion was carried.

The officers for the ensuing season were elected as follows:—Captain, Mr R. E. O. Bird; vice-captain, Mr R. O. Hatchison; captain, A. team, Mr E. W. Dawson; hon. secretary, Mr F. Howell; hon. treasurer, Mr W. H. Woolley; hon. steward, Mr F. Fischer; bowls representative, Mr C. Bond; tennis representative, Mr F. A. Bidden; green keeper, Mr F. Howell; together with a strong committee.

The secretary referred in eloquent terms to the services rendered to the club by Mr Fischer and votes of thanks were accorded to the secretary and treasurer.

Lawn Bowls Championship.

SEMI-FINAL STAGE.

Interest is increasing in the open lawn bowls championship of the Colony, for the semi-final stage has now been reached. The Police, for the first time since the inauguration of the competition, are not in the last four, but Tai-koo appears for the first time in the person of Mr A. Hamilton. Kowloon has no less than three representatives out of the four semi-finalists. Recent results are:—

G. R. Edwards (K.) beat D. Gow (K.)
A. Hamilton (T.) beat T. Gledinning (P.)
J. Macdonald (K.) beat W. Diggins (G.S.)
G. Hazton (K.) beat W. Stuart (P.)
Mr Hayton appeared in the final two years ago and Mr Edwards was among last year's winners. It is decided to complete the semi-final next week, and the final will probably be played two weeks later.

Acquatics.

SHANGHAI SWIMMING GALA.
Below we give the chief results in the Shanghai annual swimming gala:—

Hung Fyng Squadron Race.
1-Tai-koo. 2-Two.
W. D. B. Miller N. W. Hickling
C. Morgan A. C. Nash
C. E. V. Harrop C. H. Tud
G. A. Robinson V. H. Lanning
Time, min. 21 sec.

Naval Championship of Shanghai (Three lengths, 98 yards).
Crombie (H. M. S. Pumble) ... 1
Exler (H. I. O. M. S. Tiger) ... 2
Martin (H. M. S. Woodcock) ... 3
Todd (U. S. S. Holmes) did not finish.
Time 1 min. 29 1/2 sec.

The Club Championship. (Three lengths, 98 yards).
D. E. M. Drummond ... 1
R. W. MacCabe ... 2
C. W. O. Mayne ... 3
Time 66 sec.

Drummond won by a couple of yards, while MacCabe was about a yard and a half behind Mayne. Drummond's was a great exhibition, and the way in which he took the second length easily, after first establishing his lead, showed that he had swum with his head. Notwithstanding the fact that he has put up a local record, he is confident that he can beat this. It will, however, take a good deal of beating.

Long Plunge.
R. W. MacCabe ... 1
C. H. Rutherford ... 2
G. Ballantyne ... 3
Distance 46 feet.

Ladies Handicap, One length.
Miss Nor. Arthur (8 sec.) ... 1
Miss Brown (8 sec.) ... 2
Miss Brown (10 sec.) ... 3
Miss Arthur (10 sec.) ... 4
Time 37 sec.

Seven lengths (228 Yards) Handicap.
C. W. O. Mayne (4 sec.) ... 1
J. W. MacCabe (5 sec.) ... 2
G. A. Robinson (6 sec.) ... 3
Time 30 min. 10 sec.

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